Author's response to reviews

Title: Laparoscopic versus Open Left Lateral Segmentectomy

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Laparoscopic versus open left lateral segmentectomy (MS: 1057265705253898)

Further to your email 26/08/09 regarding the formatting changes for this article we have amended it as follows:

1. Title page – job titles e.g. Dr/Prof have been removed
2. Affiliations – each affiliation has been written in full
3. Author list – list of authors corresponds to the submission system entries
4. Abstract – structure amended into Background, Methods, Results, Conclusions inc. Abstract details on the submission page
5. Figures in text – figures have been deleted from the manuscript file. The titles of the figures have also been removed from the figure files.
6. Table shading – the shading on the tables has been removed
7. Table citations – all tables are now cited in the text
8. References – we have changed this from superscript numbers to numbers in square brackets
9. Title – changed to sentence case
10. Underlining – has been removed from the text
11. Line numbers – removed from the manuscript
12. Qualifications – removed from the manuscript
13. Keywords and word-counts – removed from the manuscript
14. “Research article” – removed from the manuscript
15. Previous exhibition – relocated from title page to Acknowledgements section
16. Table title and legend – all table titles are above the tables and only one sentence long
17. Figure cropping – white space has been cropped from the figures, as much as is possible

I hope this addresses all the formatting issues raised. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further concerns.

Yours gratefully,

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